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MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



This is the last newsletter to appear in 1980. Your officers and Board members extend to you, greetings. May the coming year be all that you wish and may the wonderful hobby of elongateds continue to expand its coverage. Membership involvement is very important. Won't you write an article for our next newsletter? Payment in the form of an elongated is minimum compensation; the real reward comes from recognition by your fellow collectors of your interests and your involvement.

THE ANNUAL TEC MEETING

This year in Cincinnati, the meeting proved to be a real winner, at least in the eyes of those who attended and were kind enough to drop a line after the meeting. A series of fortunate coincidences added much to the activities and credit must go to individuals such as Alberta and Lloyd Wagaman who not only brought smiles by attending, but answered many questions concerning rollers.

Bill Thomerson and his co-worker went far beyond the call in transporting a very large rolling machine that proved to be completely automatic and unique in the hobby. Its selling price of \$10,000 may sound high, but the fact that an individual can go in business and have minimum upkeep with a steady financial return for the balance of his or her life, indicates that owning the unit would be practical. Thomerson answered questions, explained much about the inner workings of the machine and allowed members to roll their own coins without charge. General good humor highlighted the meeting and donations by many members

allowed door prizes to be offered. Your editor is obviously going to miss giving credit to some of those in attendance. Irving Canter bid a substantial sum in an auction and was quickly balanced by another bid from Frederic Mantei for \$20 for an elongated donated by Cliff Roth.

Cliff celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary and everyone received one of his elongateds.

The meeting generated a lot of interest because so many members were involved. It is not possible to fully detail activities because only general minutes were kept. My apologies to those who were overlooked in this short report. Incidentally, Ruby Threlkeld, former historian, and George Kesterson, current roller, were in the audience as was Bill Henderson; but to obtain full information as to who was there, why not look at the photograph of the audience?

I am looking forward to saying hello to all of you at the 1981 Convention in New Orleans.

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THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING,
AUGUST 18, 1980

The Elongated Collectors Meeting was held at 9 a.m. in the Convention Center, Room 229, Cincinnati, Ohio. Officers attending were President Lee Martin, Secretary Alice Penzes, Treasurer Jack Huggins, Past President Sally Kirka and Board member Al Kirka.

An informal meeting was held. The treasurer's report was read. The Board decided not to order the 2x2 elongated holders which would then be resold to members. The minimum amount to order and the prohibitive cost would not have allowed all of them to be sold.

It was suggested that we sell the white/black elongated badges by Burt Levy at our general meeting.

President Martin asked the secretary to send him a list of members who ordered the 1980 Convention badge but haven't sent for them so their names could be listed in our Newsletter as a reminder to them.

There being no other business to bring before the Board, meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Alice Penzes, Secretary TEC

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MINUTES OF THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS
ANNUAL MEETING/Aug. 20, 1980

The annual meeting of The Elongated Collectors was held August 20th, 9 AM - Convention Center, Room 213, Cincinnati, Ohio. Meeting was opened by President Lee Martin who asked each member and guest present to stand and introduce themselves. We had members from both coasts and states in between.

Secretary's minutes were read from the annual meeting in 1979.

Board minutes of August 19th, 1980 were read. Lee asked members to let the Club know about their thoughts of the Club buying 2x2 holders and selling them to the members.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted as read.

Lee then asked the roller members present to stand and please answer

questions from members and other rollers. This gave many members answers as to how a coin was rolled and die hardened and the questions and answers were very informative. Mr. Thomerson (Copper Charms Co.) and The Penny Shoppe brought his rolling machine and members had a chance to roll their own elongated. All attending rolled a few pennies.

Lee Martin then gave out a few special "thank you" awards.

To Treas. Jack Huggins - a special Susan B. Anthony dollar.

To Sec. Alice Penzes - an executive bear.

To Sally & Al Kirka - a silver tray.

Cliff Roth donated a Shalom elongated (2) (15 only rolled) which were auctioned off for \$20.00 each and were bought by Irving Cantor and Fred Mantei.

Black/white elongated badges were donated by Bert Levy and sold for \$1.00 each. The Secretary has the balance. A drawing for donations was held. Those donating were O. Wilson Morgan, Ginnie Aldridge, John Spadone and Harold Flartey. We thank all donors.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted

Alice Penzes, Secretary
TEC

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LISTING OF THOSE ORDERING 1980 CONVENTION
BADGES (Contact Alice Penzes)

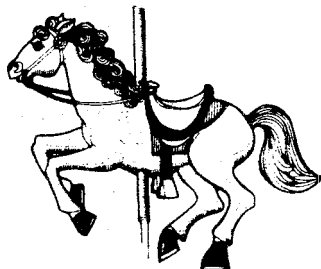
Chester Rogers	Harold Snyder
George Alexander	Joseph Rakaskas
Lester Burzinski	Adam Kloczek
Doug Fairbanks Sr	Walter Hoffman
James Davisson(2)	Harold Hessenthaler
Richard Sharon Jr	Elizabeth Stevens
Charles Price Jr	Arthur Smith
W. Pezzana	Samuel D. Y. Ching
Milton & LaVerne Heitman(2)	
Dottie Dow(2)	William Canary
John Duriska	Laura Gore
Gary Glise	Elton Parsons
Harry Rhodes	Chester Rogers
Fred Schmidt	Richard Townsend

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FLAT OUT FOR ELONGATED COINS

Glen Tye - TEC 630
Lawrence Harbor, NJ



ASTROLAND, CONEY ISLAND
NEW YORK

IRVING R. CANTER TEC 753

Elongated coins are looking much better to the collector for a couple of reasons. One is the price of silver and gold which makes the price of collecting round coins climb higher and higher. The second reason is the fact that there are more and more rolling machines around for the public to see. Elongated coins are an inexpensive souvenir for people to bring back to family and friends.

I have found from past experience that the more people you talk to about elongated coins, the more eyes you have looking for elongated coins.

People I have talked to about elongated coins have brought me coins--Arizona Memorial from Hawaii, Jaws elongated from Universal Studios in California, Bourbon Street from New Orleans, Louisiana, and a Music City USA elongated from Tennessee.

On several occasions people I have talked to have told me that they have seen elongated coins for sale. I was then able to pick them up.

It does pay to talk to everyone you can about elongated coins--well, to those that will listen!

Do you have a story to tell about your elongated coins? Sit down and put your story on paper and send it to the TEC editor. After all, the members are the ones who make this paper great.

I read an article by Burt N. Levy in the July issue of the TEC News about a grading and description system. I think something should be initiated to help out the collector who wants to describe what condition a coin is in. This system seems to be rather well thought out. However, the editor's note should be considered and added to the list.

If enough interest in a grading system were generated, maybe it could be put on a detachable page in the TEC News so all the members could have a grading system chart for their very own.

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Modern day Coney Island is still considered a very popular seaside resort and entertainment mecca of the North Eastern coast of our country. In reality, it's an island in name only, since land has been filled in connecting it with the mainland, Brooklyn. Quoting writer W. E. Young, "Coney Island is famous in history; being the landing place for Henry Hudson in 1609." The island resort is located on the Southwestern end of Long Island, about nine miles from the southern tip of Manhattan Island. It's nearly five miles long and 3/4 of a mile across. It's easily accessible and may be reached by automobile, bus, subway or by boat. On occasions, it is said, millions visit Coney on a given day. Nearby are Brighton, West Brighton, Sea Gate, Manhattan Beach, Plum Beach and Sheepshead Bay. A "must" when visiting Coney Island is a side trip to the boardwalk, stretching more than a mile along the beachfront. The souvenir stands, side shows, games of chance, thrill-a-second rides, swimming facilities, dancing and skating areas line the entire route. Hot Dogs and other fast foods are all special lures to the young of all ages. There is another great attraction at Coney Island, the New York Aquarium.

The most recent treat added to the agenda is a special visit to "ASTROLAND"--an amusement park chock full of thrilling rides, games of skill, and concessions where all types of delicacies and souvenirs are available to all patrons. There is also a very fine area called "Astro-Disco" for any interested parties. There is a single ticket fee which enables the holder to the rides, any of the entertaining shows, as many times as they wish. It's certain to prove attractive to most visitors to the wilds of Gotham (or as it's most commonly known, "THE BIG APPLE").

Many years ago Coney Island was



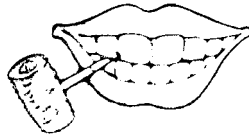
Astroland, Coney Island...Cont'd.

commemorated by a series of elongated coins featuring such places as Dreamland, Steeplechase, and Luna Park, which have all long since gone from the picture. However, many of we oldtimers still recall the Coney Island of yesteryear. It was a place for the kids to delight in and the older kids (senior citizens) to reminisce about. As long as the waves break on the sandy beaches, Coney Island will remain a pleasant visiting spot. Local patrons and others too, know the ways of the few wild incidents, pickpockets to beware of, muggings and rowdyism. But crowds by the thousands still pour off the subway onto famous Surf Avenue. And who never heard of "Nathan's" and tasted their delicacies AIN'T LIVED YET!!!

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"I SAW YOU ON TV"

Roy S. Fowler, Sr. #815



I wish I had kept track of how many times I had heard that phrase. It would have been interesting. Even so, it has been fun to hear it. I'm sure that any ordinary, everyday common sort of a guy would have a thrill if he heard his friends and acquaintances say that to him. I did, and still do. I suppose that television personalities would get tired of it, but me--no way!

I guess I should start at the beginning so you will know what I'm talking about. You heard in the last issue from our son, Vance. He mentioned that he and I both have machines. He also mentioned that he helped me out at the Portland Rose Festival while I was in Seattle attending a grandson's high school graduation. Well, Sunday, the last day of the Rose Festival, came around and about noon a fellow walked up and started asking questions. Just like several thousand others had done. Only thing different was that right behind him was a man with a TV camera on his shoulder. They both were interested as I explained the machine and rolled out a few coins for them to look at. Then the gentleman held up a microphone and asked me some

more questions and held up a coin for the cameraman to take pictures. After a few more questions and a gift of a "Volcano" coin each, they left. I put it out of my mind. (Had to, I was getting busy again.)

A little later one of the Carnival game owners came over and said, "I was going to come over and buy some coins when that reporter was here but decided against it." We both got a laugh out of some of the remarks he made about "famous" people and so on. Anyway, I did make a note of the date and time and the reporter's name just for kicks.

When I got home, I told my wife and son and his family about the interview. That was as famous as I expected to be. Our life slipped back into its usual notch and everything seemed normal. Monday evening we watched the news on TV as we usually do, and Lo and Behold, there I was on the tube. For all of 3 seconds! Just the shots, no interview.

Well, how about that? I was on TV. We could hardly wait till the 11:00 o'clock news to see if it would be on again. It was! This time for about 5 seconds, No interview though. Oh, well, what do you want for nothing, Roy? It was exciting, even so.

After the excitement of the Festival and the appearance on TV, our normal life seemed kind of dull. Two days later I walked into the large Department Store that I had recently retired from, when Bingo! People came from all directions to tell me, "I saw you on TV." One fellow followed me into the elevator to talk to me about it. Come to find out, he had seen some kind of a special on the Mt. St. Helens Eruption and the interview with me had been televised. I didn't even know about that.

After that day, hardly a day went by for a couple of weeks but someone would come up to me and make some remark about wanting to shake the hand of a TV celebrity. (Fun--I'm a big ham and I was eating it up.) It is now two months later and the other day I went to my insurance office to conduct some business and one of the two ladies there said, "I saw you on TV." She had seen the special and had heard the interview. I finally had presence of mind enough to ask how I sounded to her. I was pleased to have her say, "Great." Nice lady.



"I Saw You On TV"--Cont'd.

Even 125 miles away up near Mt. St. Helens, I get reference to the interview. I had the machine set up at a gift shop and a lady came over to see what I was doing. I asked her if she had ever seen anything like that before and she said, "Not really, only on TV." You guessed it. She had seen the special too.

All I can say is that I have had a lot of fun (and a lot of work at times) with my machine. I'm supposed to be retired so I'm trying not to work at it too hard. There are jillions of places to go and work, but I'm trying to hold it down.

I just recently became a member of TEC and look forward to many new experiences as a result. Sounds like a great group of people.

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JOY OF FIRST ROLLED COIN LEADS TO SECOND EMISSION

By Lee Richards #786

Having tasted the anticipation and joy of getting my first elongated coin rolled last year. I looked forward to the day when I would design another. Now Chester Rogers has rolled some sets for me which feature a map of the State of Iowa. Shown on the map are two towns: Le Mars in extreme northwest Iowa, and Webster City in north central Iowa.

Le Mars is the home of Kevin Richards (TEC #801) and one of the participants in this coinage project. Webster City is the home of the writer of this article. Also stamped on the coins are: "coins" and "stamps", our twin hobbies.

Both Le Mars and Webster City have populations of slightly more than 8,000 people each. Both are county seat towns and have small numbers of light manufacturing industries to further support the populations. They are otherwise typical small-town Iowa communities, approximately 135 miles apart.

Anyone interested in obtaining the set of three coins (cent, nickel, and dime) please write to Lee Richards, 815 Elm St., Webster City, Iowa, 50595, enclosing \$2 to defray cost and mailing. Coins will be sent postpaid.

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"WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THAT THING?"

Roy S. Fowler, Sr. - TEC #815

When we first started using our coin elongaters in public, it was a surprise to hear the comments we received. Of course, not everyone is a collector and aware of the fact that the only way that a coin is elongated is to be put through some kind of machine that presses and stretches and impresses the coin. But the comments! We first started to treat each one seriously but soon decided that most of them were a result of a lack of knowledge and that the time involved in teaching this knowledge to the one commenting was too short. So we decided that we would treat all such barbs with humor. It worked and shortened the time wasted and created a fun atmosphere. I even put up a small sign that said, "Yes, it's legal." This stopped 90% of the comments. We also placed a very attractive sign on our machines that gave the Coin Code reference to our permission to use our machines to elongate coins. Still we got comments. What follows are a few we have received and our answers. Some are terrible puns and others are worse. But when used with a smile and sometimes a wink, we get away with them and have a little fun too.

"That's illegal!"--Usually said when the person is accompanied by one or two other people. Often to show off to the girl friend. At first we would explain the Coin Code reference but usually it would go over their head anyway and was a waste of time. Lately I've been looking at their companions and say, "I don't see any sick birds around here, do you?" They would all look puzzled and then I would tell them that I thought an "ill eagle" was a sick bird. Then I would grimace and say, "Sorry about that." His companion would laugh and so would he, finally. Usually this type of person isn't a good candidate for a sale anyway so nothing is lost. Sometimes they completely change their attitudes and end up buying. So a sale is made from a potential problem-type person.

We also get questions like, "What does the IRS say about that?" or "Wait till the FBI hears about this!" Of course, they mean the Treasury Department, but in their effort to be clever, they goof. I usually say something like, "Oh, they don't mind a bit. In fact, they furnish me with the pennies." This usually brings



"What In the World Is That Thing"--Cont'd.

a surprised look and some lame comment.

Then we get the fellow who walks up and says, "I'm Jim Jones of the Treasury Department and ----" To which I break in with, "Boy, am I glad to see you, I have forgotten how the Coin Code is worded (pointing to the reference I have posted on the front of the machine) and I wonder if you would mind quoting it for me again?" They usually glance at the sign and break out laughing.

One of the worst ones on my list is this one, and I usually get it at least once a day. "Hey, that's illegal, you're defacing American currency!" To which I reply, holding up a coin with Lincoln very clearly on it, "No, I'm not, De face is still on it." Usually, his companions pick it up first and give him a bad time. We all get a laugh when I turn to them and say, "He asked for that, didn't he?" Of course, there's always exceptions. Once in awhile the person will look at me seriously and say, "Oh, so that's what makes it legal, huh?" Then I have to explain. Fortunately this doesn't happen very often.

The other day I received a comment that floored me. This lady, in all seriousness said, "That's terrible, you're desecrating American money." I just about cracked up. She went on and on and on---even while her companion made a purchase. I turned my attention back to her and explained that it was perfectly legal but she still insisted that I was "desecrating" money. I asked her if she knew what "desecrating" meant, and she ignored me. So I motioned to her and whispered in her ear, "Tell you what, don't you buy any!" To which she drew back and huffily marched off. Her companion apologized for her and when I mentioned that it takes all kinds and she had a right to her opinion, she agreed, smiled and left. For some time I was disturbed by this woman's comments, so when I got home, I looked up "desecrating" and found "profaning" as a definition. I'll just have to keep thinking that she didn't know the meaning of the word. Far from profaning, I think I'm improving the coin.

The most common comment by far, is the "That's just like putting it on a railroad track." Which brings a conversa-

tion about how many millions of coins have been put on RR tracks, and how I wish that I had a dime for every one that was put on a track and on and on. I try to bring it back to my machine by telling them that I used to do that, but it was hard to find a train that had an engraving like mine which gives me their attention on my coin again. Then I can tell them that I have a little more control over my machine than I had over the train. At least I could find the coin. Most of the time I couldn't when I put it on the tracks. Etc, etc.

Then there is the person that will say, "Oh, it's legal now. I thought that it was illegal." My best answer so far has been, "You would think that it would be illegal, but I have heard of coins from the 1892-3 World's Fair so I guess it has been legal for some time." This usually brings some comment about them having a "Lord's Prayer" that was given them by their Dad or a World's Fair coin or some such. I guess it never dawned on them that anyone selling these coins at a World's Fair must have been doing it legally.

One comment by a lady recently made me feel very good. She enthusiastically exclaimed after I had explained the machine and shown her the coin, "It's beautiful! Wonderful! Fantastic! Good Old American Ingenuity!" I never did find out if she was raving about the machine, the coin, or both because after making her purchase, she ran off yelling to her friends, waving her fist full of coins.

All in all, I can truthfully say that of the thousands of people that I have talked with, I can remember very few that have given me any trouble. Aside from the few that have wandered off with a coin without paying. And very, very few of those.

I don't know how many people that have stopped in front of the machine and looked questioningly at it and curiosity getting the better of them, have asked, "What in the world is that thing?" One man thought that it was an Orange Juicer. Another thought it was a Pop Corn Popper! One woman turned to her husband and exclaimed that it would look fantastic in their living room. What a conversation piece!

Of course, many of you that have machines of your own and have had them on location have had these same comments and many more. If you have had some that top mine, I'd

"What In the World Is That Thing"--Cont'd.
like to hear them. I'm making a list of them for the fun of it. Let me hear from you.

Another interesting thing that has occurred lately is the variety of places that the Mount St. Helens' coin is going. Usually when people comment who they want to send the coins to, I will ask them where they are going. Here is a partial list--almost all the states (especially the eastern ones), Canada, Sweden, Denmark, France, Spain, Israel, South America, New Zealand, Australia, and Hong Kong. Now that is getting around!

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DAMM AND TUTTLE

by John G. Spadone

I received a letter asking about Chester F. Damm. Who was he? How did he begin rolling elongated coins? What makes his works so distinctive? How can anyone say the elongated was rolled by him?

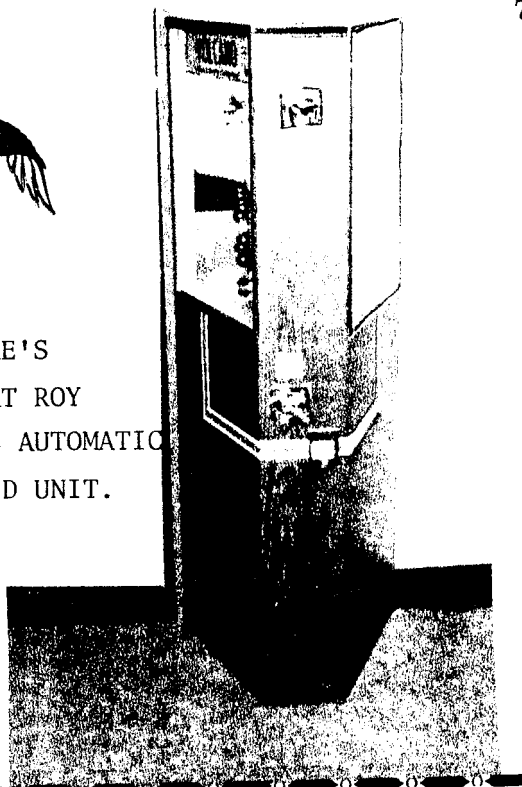
Thanks to Donald E. Sabo TEC #341, I learned a little about Mr. Damm and his partner, Tuttle, through his article written in TEC News, Volume VII No. 2, Page 6, April-May-June 1972 and now I can answer some of those questions.

I have two reasons for writing this article. One is to acquaint the new members about one of the great penny-stretchers of that time; second, to encourage all collectors to research and contribute the needed information for the hobby. The main libraries have a wealth of information in old city directories, articles, periodicals, magazines, newspapers on microfilm, and many books of that period.

The first known elongated coin was created in 1892-3 at the Columbian World Exposition, Chicago, Illinois. Since then, many elongateds have been made to commemorate other Fairs, Expositions, events, places, personalities and things. When a Fair opened its gates, many types of souvenirs were sold and of course, the elongated rolled on Indian or Lincoln cents were no exception, hence the beginning of a new field of collecting. Today many collectors are constantly



HERE'S
A LOOK AT ROY
FOWLER'S AUTOMATIC
ELONGATED UNIT.



looking for information about elongateds, so that their collections would be meaningful.

Now to answer some of these questions. Mr. Charles F. Damm was a jeweler, engraver, manufacturer from Buffalo, NY and his partner, Tuttle, was the business man of the company, known as "Tuttle and Damm Coin Rolling Enterprises" in 1904. Mr. Damm probably saw or heard about elongated coins prior to 1901 and since he was an engraver, decided to try out some of his own ideas. Everyone has a style whether you write, print, paint, draw, engrave, etc. It was very easy to spot Mr. Damm's style since he usually rolled on uncirculated, current date cents and with his method produced a clear crinkle image of an Indian or Lincoln cent as the reverse. Elongateds without the crinkle reverse or with fine vertical machine lines of Mr. Damm's elongateds are considered restrikes.

The two-sided elongated coin listed as New York PAN.AMERICAN EXPOSITION-26 or (NY Pae.-26) in Dottie Dow's book, page 77 as follows (obv.)/Chas. F. Dam/Coin/Rolling Machine/511 Washington St./Buffalo, N.Y./Denticle edge (Rev.-)/ I was at the/Pan-American/ Exposition/on/President day/ Sept 5, 1901/. Plain edge. (Horizontal on coin). indicates that he began on or prior to that date. On Page 78 of same book, another elongated listed as New York, Buffalo (N.Y. Buf. 1)/Chas. F. Damm/Building

in center and sign on building,/Jeweler/
below/520 Main/St/Rolled border, indi-
cates a change of address. Another coin
listed as N.Y.Buf.2 (obv.)/McKinley
Monument/Monument figure. Below Buffalo/
Rolled border. (Rev.)/Chas. F. Dam/
Manufacturing Jeweler/We make sell &
repair/..Jewelry/.520 Main St./Plain
edge, (aluminum). The later two
elongated coins may have been rolled prior
to Sept 5, 1901, as store cards or adver-
tising schemes. Further research could
make this clearer.

In 1904 at the St. Louis World Fair,
Mr. Damm acquired a business partner
"Tuttle" and their company was (accord-
ing to Mr. Sabo's article) directly or
indirectly responsible for a large por-
tion of the elongateds in Dottie Dow's
book in the era of 1901 thru 1912.

Other remarks from Sabo's article
stated that Charles A. Lipsky had pur-
chased dies from Mr. Damm's estate and had
been restriking these with single top
roller and lower roller was blank with
fine machine lines. The original
Charles Damm elongateds were rolled with
2 dies upper & lower--in the case of
one die, the reverse would have a clear
crinkle image. Mr. Sabo also mentions
a scarce President & Presidential Candi-
dates (P & PC-10)/For President/bust
facing right/Theodore Roosevelt/rolled
border and story.

Looking at these older elongated
coins, we admire the beauty, workmanship
and wonder who made these little fine
souvenirs. Most collectors acquire an
old elongated coin and wonder who made
it?, where was it made?, and why was it
made? Without any knowledge, how can a
collection mean anything? So I suggest
that all collectors try to obtain infor-
mation before it's lost in obscurity.
Happy hunting!

Anyone wanting the 3-page copy of
Sabo's more detailed article on
Mr. Charles Damm and new discovery,
send a dollar or 75¢ with large SASE
for Xerox, postage and handling expense
to John G. Spadone, 4872 NW 171st Terr.,
Miami, Florida 33055.

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HISTORIAN'S NOTES

Ginnie S. Aldridge



Vance Fowler of Cimeter Group has made
a generous contribution to TEC Archives
and it is enormously appreciated.
Elmer Anderson, thank you again.
Bob Dadson donated an elongated from
N.V.C.C.--appreciate it. John Spadone
was generous as usual. My sincere thanks
to all.

The Susan B. Anthony dollar has been made
into a thing of beauty by Elmer Anderson.
The elongated depicting 1980 U.S. Olympic
Hockey Team can be ordered for \$3.00 each
from Pontiac Press, 35 Greenwich Avenue,
Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.

Specific elongated coin requests honored.
Will buy, sell or trade old or modern.
Write Doug Fairbanks, Sr., 5937 Beadle
Drive, Jamesville, New York 13078.

Abe Gefter has a small quantity of a new
Statue of Liberty issue for \$1.00 each or
two for \$1.50 pp. His address is 340 West
28th Street, New York, NY 10001. First
come, first served basis.

John Spadone has a second elongated in his
Heritage Series. This one features the
legend "Proud to be Jewish-American."
The coin is 75¢ plus SASE and may be
obtained by writing to 4872 NW 171st
Terrace, Miami, Florida 33055.

Jack Wilcox wants New Jersey elongateds--
will buy or trade. His address is
Letter Carrier Rte #287, North Brunswick,
New Jersey 08902.

The A.N.A. is offering five elongateds at
25 cents each plus sufficient postage.
This includes a rolled cent and four rolled
Colorado transportation tokens. They
were rolled by George Kestersen. Proceeds
from sale will be added to A.N.A. building
fund. These interesting elongateds can be
ordered from the American Numismatic
Association, Box 2366, Colorado Springs,
Colorado 80901.

Send 75¢ and SASE for an elongated depict-
ing the "National Free Fall Team Competi-
tion, Boston Ind. July 1980" to O. Wilson
Morgan, Ski-Breeze Camp-site, Rt 3C, Box 48,
Port St. Joe, Florida 32456.

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THE N.C.O.C. ELONGATED COINS

The Numismatic Council of Orange County Coin Show (California) is an annual event that is always highlighted by the use of an elongated as an admission ticket. In the past, ranging back to 1968, silver dimes were used. In the mid-1970's, clad dimes appeared. When the price of coins became too costly to roll, wooden nickels were substituted in the late 1970's. We are happy to report that in 1979 and 1980, rolled elongated cents are now publicizing the event and serving as admission pieces.

A complete set of the elongateds is available from Carol Linn, Box 6477, Buena Park, California 90620. You will have to dicker as to price--very first elongated is scarce and was selling for \$20 several years ago. I have no idea of its current value, but the entire set would make a superb collection for someone really interested in owning a unique group of elongateds.

The idea of using elongateds as admission tickets was developed by the Numismatic Council of Orange County and several other coin clubs have followed that idea since the 1968 debut.

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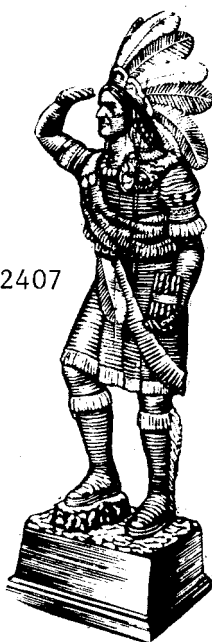
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c/o Copper Charms Co., Inc.
381 Green Harbor
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OUR APOLOGIES

In the last issue of TEC News new member #810 was listed as Frank P. "Sirviac." We would like to apologize for the misunderstanding. Frank's name should be "Siwiac."

We also forgot to give credit where credit is due. In the last issue of our newsletter, we neglected to show that member #807, George Tamboli, was sponsored by Ginnie Aldridge.

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SOMETHING NEW!

George Alexander has been very cooperative in furnishing details for the book that Lee Martin is writing based on Dottie Dow's original book and with her cooperation.

George pointed out that there is a new phase of elongateds which may be of great interest to TEC members. An elongated is rolled with the Lincoln image on the obverse visible but a non-image on the reverse. On the blank area an insignia is epoxied and thus we have a three-dimensional elongated coin. (He enclosed photos showing many major organizations represented on elongateds.) Credit for the creativity of that group goes to George.

One of the pins has a Lions Club Past President's Award with six pearls in it. The pin cost \$59.00 and it probably makes this elongated one of the more expensive new issues.

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California Collectors of Elongateds

The CCE's September issue of their national newsletter disclosed their meeting place is the Far West Savings, 615 East First Street, Tustin, California. Dottie Dow donated two elongateds for each member of that organization which were included in the newsletter.

(Incidentally, we all missed Dottie at the TEC meeting. I haven't heard from her in recent years.)

President of the CCE group is Claude Watt, 1237 West Palm, Orange, CA 92668.

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NEW FOR YOUR COLLECTION

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THANK YOU ELONGATED RECIPIENTS

The following individuals wrote an article(s) for the TEC newsletter July-Aug-Sept 1980 issue. A special elongated from Lee Martin's remaining House of Elongateds collection was sent to them. An elongated cent is given for one story and an elongated dime is given to those writing two or more stories. We are grateful for their cooperation.

HOW DO YOU COLLECT? - George Alexander #739
 DID DANNY GOOF? - "Doug" Fairbanks, Sr. #623
 STATUE OF LIBERTY REVISITED - Abe Gefter #121
 BIRTH OF AN ELONGATED - Ginnie Aldridge #222
 TRY OUT YOUR IDEAS - Sally Kirka #16
 CHINESE ASTROLOGY - Chester Rogers #515
 NEW MEMBERS NEEDED! - Irving R. Canter #753
 OLD ROLLED-OUT COIN GRADING & DESCRIPTION SYSTEM - Burt N. Levy #499
 SUBJECT: PROFILE OF A MANUFACTURER (or, How In The Dickens Did I Get Into This, Anyway?) - Vance Fowler #805
 THE WORLD TRADE CENTER OF NEW YORK - Irving R. Canter #753
 ARIZONA MEMORIAL, PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII - Kazuma Oyama #663
 "NICE 'GUYS' - NEW MEMBERS" - "Doug" Fairbanks, Sr., #623
 LOCATING THE ELUSIVE ROLLER - "Doug" Fairbanks, Sr. #623
 DREAMLAND PARK FIRE, CONEY ISLAND - John G. Spadone #785

DELAWARE RIVER BRIDGE UNLISTED ELONGATED - A FAVORITE - Jack Wilcox #332

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH ON THE BRIDGE - (Newspaper contribution) - Jack Wilcox #287

We hope your name will be listed for contributions to our next newsletter which will deadline in late December.

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GOOD IDEA!

Jack Huggins, our esteemed treasurer, mentioned that at the Cincinnati ANA meeting there was not a single elongated exhibit.

He and his wife exhibited in St. Louis and they were the only two to take awards. His suggestion that TEC establish an ANA classification for elongateds is a good one and TEC can subsidize the award and also judge entries. The award would be named in honor of past presidents of TEC or simply called the "TEC Presidential Award."

It is merely a suggestion and members are invited to express their views. The Board will be happy to act if enough members like the idea.

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DID YOU KNOW? -- No matter where Florence Nightingale travelled, she carried a pet owl in her pocket. "The Lady of the Lamp" was an English nurse, hospital administrator and reformer.

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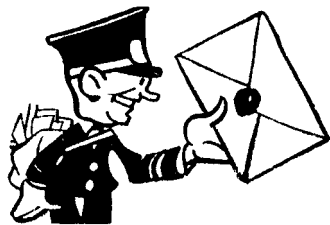


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LETTERS..

WE GET LETTERS..



"History of Errors: Summer of '79.. Set up two contracts to run at "Experimental Aircraft Association" fly-in in Oshkosh, Wisconsin and Oregon State Fair. Tried an engraver I was not familiar with. He took 60 days and \$600 to do the dies. I was in a panic but they finally arrived 2 days before the first event.. done oversize! I about passed away because of it. They had no "coin catch notch" and nickels wouldn't even work.. besides, I was set up only for pennies. I decided to go ahead anyway and drove 2800 miles in 48 hours to get to the fly-in. Even though the coins turned out bad due to oversize engraving, I still sold 6,500 of them in a week.. but that is all off of that die. The two bags for future distribution were left over and to be sold for scrap eventually until I realized TEC members might like them. Did the same thing with the "Oregon-The Emerald Wonderland Die". Sold 7,700 at the Oregon State Fair and that was all. In spite of appearance, they ought to be collector's items due to fairly limited numbers. I tried to run them on nickels but sizing still was not right and only a dozen or so run off.

"The Little Airplane is a "quickie" made of styrofoam and fiberglass. It only weighs about 200 pounds and on 18 horsepower, it will carry a 210 pound man over 110 miles per hour. The aviation world is changing because of it and others like it.

"The "Wonderland" is a typical scene of the Oregon Cascade Mountains.. mule deer buck, trout jumping in lake, and eagle soaring above. I love the out of doors and drew the scene from personal experience. It is a rapidly disappearing wilderness up here and I wanted to preserve it.

"Final Note: Due to engraver's error and loss of income as result, I got a promise to get two more dies of my choice made up at no charge. I sent in artwork for "Whales" and "Winter Olympics." Another 60 days passed and I lost locations and use of these dies as a result. When they finally

came..they had done my Oregon Wonderland and EAA airplane die over again..smaller. Let me just say this..thank goodness for talent like Adam Cool who is my current "hero."

Vance Fowler

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TREASURER'S REPORT - THE ELONGATED COLLECTOR
Jack D. Huggins, Treasurer

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS
For the Period from July 30, 1979 thru
July 31, 1980

Balance of Cash Available for Use
July 30, 1979

Receipts:

7/30/79 Former Treas. \$1931.68

Income:

Dues	\$890.00
Badge Sales	320.90
Interest	101.32
Advertising	101.00
Donation	50.00

Total Income 1463.22

Total Receipts

\$3394.90

Total To Account For

\$3394.90

Disbursements:Editor Publication Expenses:

Printing Bulletin	705.68
Postage	305.00
Supplies	57.40

1068.08

Shipping & Mailings 68.10

Secretary Printing & Postage 63.25

TEC Badges:

Die Design & Manf.	47.00
Badges	75.00
Materials	35.69

157.69

Historian Expenses 24.07

Awards:

Plaques - 1979	33.09
Trophies - 1980	50.00

83.09

Stamps 15.00

Rent - ANA 1979 10.00

Dues 23.00

Bank Service Charges 8.00

Total Disbursements

\$1520.28

Balance of Cash Available for Use

July 31, 1980

\$1874.62

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THANK YOU!



The coin in this newsletter was furnished by the Copper Charms Company, 381 Green Harbor, Old Hickory, Tennessee 37138.

Our thanks go to this very wide-awake organization that is leaning over backward to help TEC. (See the write-up about the elongated machine transported from Tennessee to Cincinnati for our meeting.)

The company is unique in that they have expanded the world of elongateds to include jewelry and a variety of other objects. Their brochure offers a hatband or a belt with a key chain. Price is \$12.50 for both. It's a kit and includes 32 elongateds. There is also a necklace and earrings (pierced or clip-ons); price is \$4, and equally attractive is the multi-cent bracelet in kit form which includes six elongateds, ten copper rings and one copper clip. The price is \$4.50.

We could go on and mention others, but it all goes to show that the company is creative and a great help to promoting the use of elongateds. (Oh yes, there is a \$1 shipping charge in case you wish to order.)

Wouldn't it be fun to wear your hobby?

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THE TEC MEETINGS

Jack D. Huggins, Sr. - Treasurer

In the event you were unable to attend the 1980 ANA convention for some reason, you missed "The Happening"--our TEC meeting. I had the happy task of securing everyone's name who was in attendance. It kept me busy trying to remember the face that went with the name.

The meeting was enjoyed by all, especially the demonstration of the modernistic rolling machine. I enjoyed Mr. George Kesterson's demonstration in 1978 in Houston and I certainly want to publicly thank him and also Mr. Thomerson who gave the 1980 demonstration. It is the actual rolling that makes a special event of the meeting. We should start at once lining up a demonstration for 1981.

For those unable to attend and I, for one, feel as do others that the high cost of traveling keeps many away. I see that New Orleans hotel price is \$75. For 6 nights, \$450 for a place to sleep is out of the question. So we have two choices:

1) Reduce the time spent for a full convention to only one or two nights. In doing this, I would have to quit exhibiting.

But this I can't do, so the only alternative is to reduce the time that exhibits are required to remain on display. I have been working on this for years and I can't get to first base so to speak. The "powers that be" seek the non-profit aspect or educational angle, so that the full bourse fee as expenses, is tax free.

2) I feel this is the answer. Stay nearby at a more reasonable price. I have done this on occasions and I have enjoyed it.

If any of our members know of a nearby hotel or motel, I would like to hear from them. In Atlanta, I had an efficiency apartment. It was pure heaven, similar to Miami. But finding facilities is the problem. I have been informed that the Hotel Jung, the site of the 1972 convention, is closed.

Perhaps if we did locate a spot and a number of us stayed, we could form a TEC group with a share ride basis, have a planned itinerary and schedule more TEC activities. This is the only time we can all get together, once a year. The only other communciation is our quarterly bulletin.

So it is my opinion that we should seek another way to serve our many members and non-members alike, so they will continue with TEC or join TEC. We are in need of positive action; we have too much negative.

I wish our beloved President Jimmy Carter was a member of TEC; he could come and see all of us during his reelection campaign.



W o w !

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George Alexander placed elongated coins into history. He was able to include ten elongateds in a 20th century type set that he and Guy Wilson presented to Max Cleland, Administrator of Veterans Affairs, for inclusion in the VA's 50th anniversary time capsule. The capsule will be stored in the National Archives in Washington and will be opened in the year 2030 on the VA's 100th anniversary.

Some of the rollers whose coins were included were Lloyd Wagaman, Dottie Dow, Angelo Rosato, Lem Martin, Chester Rogers and Bob Luchtman. It is nice to know that posterity and our hobby go hand in hand. We owe a large thanks to George.

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PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN ELONGATED

Type 1



Type 2



A type 1 and 2 were made with the "Proud to be American" theme. They can be obtained from John G. Spadone, 4872 NW 171st Terrace, Miami, Florida 33055. Prices are 75¢ each and \$3.50 on silver dimes.

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GOOD IDEAS FOR DIES

by Sally Kirka

More often than once, someone would come up to me and ask why didn't I put a certain thing on a coin. It does sound easy; but when you have to pay for the die to have it made, it is a different story. But then a roller with a rolling machine can really do as they please, as that is why they bought their rolling machine to do what they want. If a person would like a certain coin made, they can special order the coins.

Most rollers invest in their machines to at least cover the cost of making the dies, etc. If you can make a profit, all the better. So when you design a die, you try to make something that will sell.

Designing a die yourself isn't all that necessary because if you give your idea to an expert engraver, he can help you out.

Sometimes I hear people say they want so much on an elongated coin. Yet stop and think--can all that fit in such a small space? When you order a certain coin made, ask the engraver or the roller of the die just how much will fit on a die. The roller would ask the engraver if it can be done. A good engraver is worth his weight in gold or so I think. How I wish I could do some engraving of my own!

It sounds like rushing the Christmas season now but if you want your Christmas coins in time for the Christmas season, then you get your ideas or design ready for the engraver now. If you are like me and want to also make your own P.N.C.'s, you really go to town in early spring for 1980 Christmas.

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MINI COINS

by SALLY KIRKA

I guess I'll try rolling even the mini coins. It's a trick to do so they come out

just right; but with a few hints given me, I could do it.

I don't know why I tried this, but I first had some mini coins rolled to use in my round wooden nickels. Then I saw some small envelopes in one store so I thought I'd try my luck in making some mini Philatelic Numismatic Covers. I think Dottie Dow was the first to make the mini covers about 2" x 3". She had made many in the past years using the regular elongated pennies. Those of the members who bought any of these covers years ago have something nice in their collection.

Going back to my mini covers, I myself made a mini picture of something else I made about five or ten times larger. I never thought I could draw the same thing in mini size but I did.

The first mini size covers I drew, I made about two years ago but had them cancelled a few months ago. With the mini elongated coin in them, the covers look cute. I even have some with the set of mini coins in them. It is a little trick to roll the elongated mini coins but it can be done. It also can be a trick and a little fun getting that coin into the covers. If you keep on trying, it also can be done.

If I remember, Lloyd Wagaman rolled out the first elongated mini coin. It was a cute one. I know I have a few which I'm proud of. I know Lee Martin also put out a few or the House of Elongateds put a few out. As they are now making them a little larger, they may be easy to roll. They are nice to have in your collection. Don't know who has any to sell now; but if you can buy one, you are lucky.

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AW SHUCKS..



Remember the 2x2's we were interested in? Members were asked to indicate if they would purchase a thousand or so. The hope was that we could order the minimum quantity of 100,000. Totals were less than 10,000 so we have to abandon the idea but all is not lost.

If you really need 2x2 containers for elongateds, visit your local coin dealer and buy the dollar size ones. They are not the proper shape but they will retain the coin. It is disappointing to find that a market did not exist for the 2x2's. Perhaps someday we can renew the poll.

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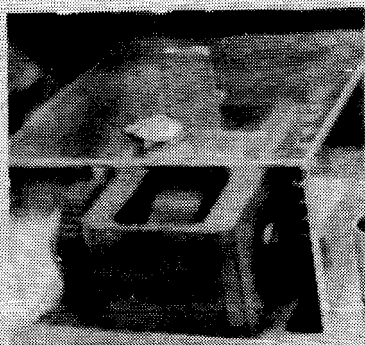
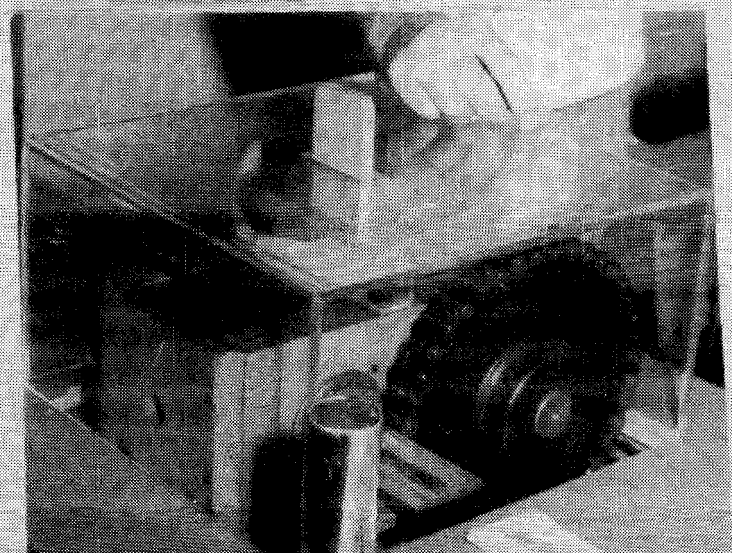
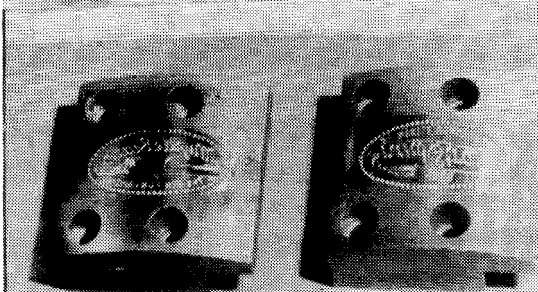
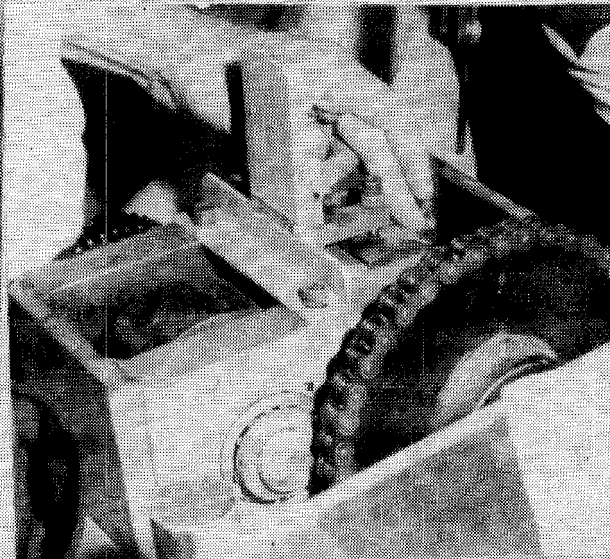
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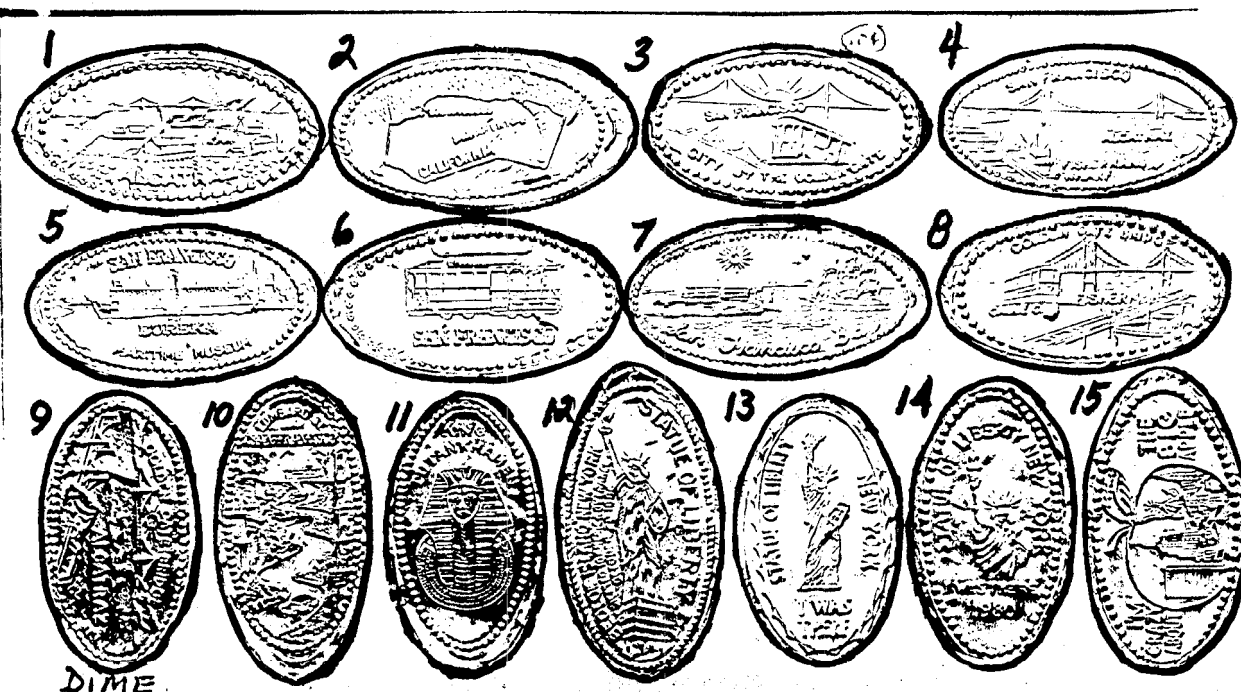
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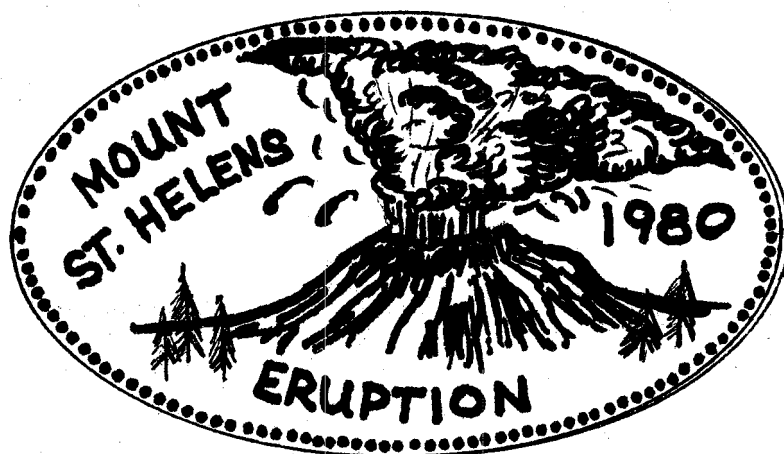
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